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INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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S E C R E T LOURENCO MARQUES 1086

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: TASS CORRESPONDENT ON PORTUGAL'S INTERNAL POLITICS
AND DECOLONIZATION

REF: (A) LOURENCO MARQUES 1065 (NOTAL); (B) NAIROBI 9940 (NOTAL)

1. IN INTERVIEW WITH TASS CORRESPONDENT KOULIK FROM NAIROBI
IN EVENING DAILY TRIBUNA NOV 25 THERE WAS ONE COMMENT OF
POSSIBLE INTEREST, ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING THAT KOULIK IS A
SUSPECTED SOVIET INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. KOULIK WAS ASKED HOW
HE FORESAW THE FUTURE RELATIONSHIP OF FORCES IN THE POLITICAL
FIELD IN PORTUGAL AND IN MOZAMBIQUE. RE PORTUGAL, HE REPLIED:
QUOTE I AM NOT A PROPHET, BUT I THINK THAT THERE ARE LARGE
POSSIBILITIES FOR THE REALLY DEMOCRATIC FORCES TO ACHIEVE
POLITICAL POWER THROUGH ELECTIONS AND FOR THEM TO CONTINUE
TO MAKE PROGRESS DEMOCRATICALLY UNQUOTE.

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WM COMMENT: THIS MAY BE OLD HAT BUT WE HAVE NOT SEEN ANY

PUBLIC SOVIET REFERENCE TO ELECTIONS AS IF THEY WERE THE
EXPECTED METHOD BY WHICH PORTUGUESE COMMUNISTS WOULD "ACHIEVE
POLITICAL POWER".
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